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Labour Force Survey: Special Report

LABOUR FORCE STATUS - STATISTICAL REGIONS

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This special report contains original (unadjusted) estimates of employed persons and unemployed persons for Statistical Regions by State. The estimates are from the ABS Labour Force Survey, and are drawn from a representative sample of over 34,000 dwellings. These series have shown historically a high degree of variability which is inherent in data about smaller labour markets.

The Labour Force Survey is designed primarily to produce reliable National and State estimates. While estimates for Statistical Regions are components of corresponding estimates at the State level, there are no independent population benchmarks at the Statistical Region level. Therefore, Statistical Region estimates will add to the State total, but the individual Statistical Regions will show less stability for any estimate than for a similar estimate at the State level. In addition, estimates (particularly estimates of unemployment) are considerably smaller and are subject to higher relative standard errors.

Care should therefore be taken in the interpretation of regional estimates particularly in the month to month movements.

Standard Errors

Standard errors of the original estimates in this report for the States and Australia can be determined by using the methods described in the Technical Notes in *The Labour Force, Australia* (6203.0). Statistical Region standard errors are available upon request from Sylvia Sajler on (06) 252 6525 or from any ABS State office. Very small estimates are subject to high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) which can detract seriously from their value for most general uses. Where estimates and percentages have relative standard errors greater than 25%, they have been identified by an asterisk (e.g. *1.0) to indicate that they are subject to high standard errors and should be used with caution.

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TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 AND OVER: STATISTICAL REGIONS BY SEX, JANUARY 1996

	Males				Females				Persons			
	Employed	Unemp- loyed	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate	Employed	Unemp- loyed	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate	Employed	Unemp- loyed	Unemp- loyment rate	Partici- pation rate
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NEW SOUTH WALES												
NEW SOUTH WALES	1,574.0	157.9	9.1	72.9	1,173.0	96.8	7.6	51.7	2,746.9	254.7	8.5	62.1
Sydney Major SR	1,014.9	85.4	7.8	74.3	763.7	51.1	6.3	52.8	1,778.6	136.5	7.1	63.4
Inner Sydney and Inner Western Sydney SRs	119.7	5.1	4.1	73.3	87.1	6.9	7.3	57.0	206.8	12.0	5.5	65.3
Inner Sydney SR	78.3	* 3.5	* 4.2	73.9	58.5	4.9	7.8	61.3	136.8	8.4	5.8	67.8
Eastern Suburbs SR	69.9	5.8	7.7	73.0	55.1	* 2.0	* 3.4	56.5	125.0	7.8	5.9	64.9
St. George-Sutherland SR	114.2	4.8	4.1	71.0	92.2	* 1.9	* 2.0	54.7	206.3	6.7	3.1	62.8
Canterbury-Bankstown SR	79.9	8.2	9.3	72.0	55.2	4.9	8.1	46.7	135.0	13.0	8.8	59.0
Fairfield-Liverpool and Outer South Western Sydney SRs	134.4	19.8	12.9	77.2	89.6	12.5	12.2	49.6	224.0	32.3	12.6	63.2
Fairfield-Liverpool SR	74.0	14.8	16.6	75.3	47.6	9.5	16.7	47.0	121.6	24.3	16.7	61.0
Central Western Sydney SR	53.0	10.8	16.9	70.5	34.6	4.6	11.7	41.1	87.6	15.3	14.9	55.4
Outer Western Sydney SR	75.4	5.8	7.1	78.9	59.2	4.0	6.4	60.8	134.7	9.8	6.8	69.8
Blacktown-Baulkham Hills SR	104.4	8.5	7.6	80.7	74.7	4.5	5.7	54.9	179.1	13.0	6.8	67.6
Lower Northern Sydney SR	71.0	5.7	7.5	76.8	64.1	* 3.6	* 5.3	55.7	135.2	9.4	6.5	65.2
Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai SR	71.4	* 2.3	* 3.1	77.4	53.2	* 1.9	* 3.4	54.7	124.6	4.1	3.2	65.7
Northern Beaches SR	65.3	* 1.6	* 2.4	77.0	55.2	* 1.0	* 1.7	54.5	120.5	2.6	2.1	64.8
Gosford-Wyong SR	56.1	7.0	11.1	62.6	43.6	* 3.5	* 7.4	46.4	99.7	10.5	9.5	54.5
Balance of New South Wales Major SR	559.1	72.4	11.5	70.6	409.2	45.7	10.1	49.7	968.3	118.1	10.9	60.1
Hunter SR	121.7	20.0	14.1	69.2	90.2	12.7	12.4	48.9	211.8	32.7	13.4	58.9
Newcastle SR Sector	98.2	18.0	15.5	67.8	74.5	11.2	13.1	47.4	172.7	29.2	14.5	57.3
Illawarra and South Eastern SRs	136.0	16.0	10.5	68.2	101.0	11.0	9.8	47.0	237.0	27.0	10.2	57.3
Illawarra Statistical Region	87.0	11.6	11.8	67.5	62.8	8.3	11.6	43.1	149.8	19.9	11.7	54.6
Wollongong SR Sector	66.9	8.5	11.3	70.1	45.2	7.2	13.8	44.2	112.1	15.7	12.3	56.5
Richmond-Tweed and Mid-North Coast SRs	96.3	17.3	15.3	64.2	78.1	8.2	9.5	46.8	174.4	25.6	12.8	55.3
Northern, Far West-North Western and Central West SRs	122.6	12.7	9.4	76.2	87.1	7.6	8.0	54.3	209.7	20.2	8.8	65.3
Murray-Murrumbidgee SR	78.9	6.1	7.2	80.0	50.3	5.4	9.6	55.6	129.2	11.5	8.2	68.2

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VICTORIA												
VICTORIA	1,170.6	121.2	9.4	73.9	876.0	87.4	9.1	52.8	2,046.6	208.6	9.2	63.1
Melbourne Major SR	847.9	86.4	9.2	74.3	648.4	67.4	9.4	54.3	1,496.2	153.8	9.3	64.1
North Western Melbourne SR	67.1	7.5	10.1	75.5	51.9	7.2	12.1	54.8	118.9	14.7	11.0	64.7
Outer Western Melbourne SR	125.5	18.2	12.7	75.8	90.4	14.3	13.6	51.5	215.9	32.5	13.1	63.2
Inner Melbourne SR	54.0	5.4	9.2	70.1	45.1	3.7	7.6	56.1	99.1	9.2	8.5	63.0
North Eastern Melbourne SR	102.6	15.2	12.9	73.1	84.0	8.4	9.1	54.5	186.7	23.6	11.2	63.6
Inner Eastern Melbourne SR	111.9	6.9	5.8	71.1	92.9	5.8	5.8	53.6	204.9	12.7	5.8	61.9
Southern Melbourne SR	95.4	7.5	7.3	71.2	75.9	8.0	9.5	54.0	171.3	15.5	8.3	62.3
Outer Eastern Melbourne SR	139.6	11.1	7.4	80.4	106.8	9.4	8.1	59.5	246.4	20.5	7.7	69.8
South Eastern Melbourne SR	103.6	9.1	8.1	79.7	66.7	7.6	10.3	55.1	170.2	16.7	8.9	67.7
Mornington Peninsula SR	48.2	5.3	9.9	65.0	34.7	* 3.0	* 8.1	46.0	82.9	8.3	9.2	55.5
Balance of Victoria Major SR	322.7	34.8	9.7	72.8	227.7	20.0	8.1	49.1	550.3	54.8	9.1	60.8
Barwon-Western District SR	93.5	8.4	8.2	73.0	64.8	6.8	9.5	49.5	158.3	15.2	8.7	61.0
Central Highlands-Wimmera SR	49.5	5.9	10.7	71.0	32.8	* 2.1	* 6.1	45.9	82.3	8.0	8.9	58.6
Loddon-Campaspe-Mallee SR	59.7	6.8	10.3	73.9	40.3	* 2.2	* 5.1	44.7	100.0	9.0	8.3	58.9
Goulburn-Ovens-Murray SR	63.5	6.9	9.8	75.0	51.8	4.4	7.8	57.3	115.4	11.3	8.9	65.9
All Gippsland SR	56.4	6.8	10.7	70.9	38.0	* 4.6	* 10.7	46.8	94.4	11.3	10.7	58.7
QUEENSLAND												
QUEENSLAND	856.0	107.2	11.1	75.3	635.8	64.3	9.2	53.7	1,491.8	171.5	10.3	64.4
Brisbane Major SR	396.8	48.2	10.8	76.6	304.1	31.2	9.3	55.4	700.9	79.4	10.2	65.8
Brisbane City Inner Ring SR	93.9	9.9	9.6	74.2	75.4	6.7	8.1	55.5	169.4	16.6	8.9	64.6
Brisbane City Outer Ring SR	120.3	11.4	8.6	76.0	100.1	9.9	9.0	58.5	220.4	21.3	8.8	66.9
South and East BSD Balance SR	72.8	12.0	14.1	79.5	52.2	5.1	8.9	55.5	125.0	17.1	12.0	67.7
North and West BSD Balance SR	109.7	14.9	12.0	77.4	76.3	9.5	11.0	51.7	186.1	24.4	11.6	64.3
Balance of Queensland Major SR	459.2	59.0	11.4	74.2	331.7	33.1	9.1	52.3	790.9	92.1	10.4	63.2
South and East Moreton Statistical Region	93.0	13.3	12.5	74.2	73.7	6.3	7.8	56.0	166.6	19.5	10.5	65.1
North and West Moreton Statistical Region	61.0	7.9	11.5	72.2	44.9	6.1	12.0	49.1	105.9	14.0	11.7	60.1
Wide Bay — Burnett Statistical Region	47.8	14.4	23.1	65.0	37.3	4.5	10.7	44.6	85.1	18.8	18.1	54.9
Darling Downs-South West Statistical Region	61.6	4.4	6.6	77.8	38.8	3.8	9.0	49.3	100.3	8.2	7.5	63.4
Mackay-Fitzroy-Central West Statistical Region	81.0	8.9	9.9	74.5	53.6	6.6	11.0	52.0	134.6	15.5	10.4	63.5
Northern-North West Statistical Region	56.3	6.1	9.8	79.0	34.7	2.8	7.4	51.1	91.0	8.9	8.9	65.6
Far North Statistical Region	58.6	4.1	6.5	78.2	48.7	* 3.0	* 5.8	62.9	107.3	7.1	6.2	70.5

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SOUTH AUSTRALIA												
SOUTH AUSTRALIA	370.2	45.5	10.9	72.1	277.5	29.3	9.6	51.4	647.7	74.8	10.4	61.6
Adelaide Major Statistical Region	264.8	35.8	11.9	70.9	209.4	21.9	9.5	51.5	474.2	57.8	10.9	60.9
Northern Adelaide Statistical Region	82.5	12.4	13.1	75.8	69.2	6.5	8.6	56.0	151.7	19.0	11.1	65.5
Western Adelaide Statistical Region	46.2	8.2	15.0	63.1	38.9	4.1	9.6	48.6	85.1	12.3	12.6	55.7
Eastern Adelaide Statistical Region	53.6	6.0	10.0	70.1	42.7	4.4	9.3	51.5	96.3	10.3	9.7	60.5
Southern Adelaide Statistical Region	82.5	9.3	10.1	71.8	58.6	6.9	10.5	48.8	141.1	16.1	10.3	60.1
Balance of South Australia Major SR	105.4	9.7	8.4	75.6	68.1	7.4	9.8	51.1	173.5	17.1	9.0	63.5
Northern and Western SA Statistical Region	40.1	6.0	12.9	75.9	24.7	3.5	12.3	50.5	64.9	9.4	12.7	63.7
Southern and Eastern SA Statistical Region	65.2	3.7	5.4	75.4	43.4	4.0	8.4	51.4	108.6	7.7	6.6	63.4
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
WESTERN AUSTRALIA	471.5	46.9	9.0	76.7	343.0	29.9	8.0	54.7	814.5	76.8	8.6	65.6
Perth Major Statistical Region	334.9	35.6	9.6	75.4	254.2	23.9	8.6	54.2	589.1	59.5	9.2	64.6
Central Metropolitan Statistical Region	35.7	3.3	8.4	66.4	27.8	2.1	6.9	48.2	63.5	5.4	7.8	57.1
East Metropolitan Statistical Region	56.2	3.8	6.3	78.7	39.7	3.8	8.8	55.2	95.9	7.6	7.4	66.7
North Metropolitan Statistical Region	103.8	12.4	10.6	76.1	79.7	7.8	8.9	55.7	183.5	20.1	9.9	65.8
South West Metropolitan Statistical Region	67.8	6.9	9.2	75.8	51.8	5.5	9.6	53.2	119.5	12.4	9.4	64.0
South East Metropolitan Statistical Region	71.5	9.2	11.4	76.6	55.2	4.7	7.9	55.6	126.7	13.9	9.9	66.0
Balance of Western Australia Major SR	136.6	11.4	7.7	80.2	88.8	6.0	6.3	56.2	225.4	17.4	7.2	68.7
Lower Western WA Statistical Region	65.1	6.7	9.4	76.5	45.0	4.1	8.4	53.1	110.1	10.9	9.0	64.9
Remainder — Balance WA Statistical Region	71.5	4.6	6.1	84.1	43.8	* 1.9	* 4.1	59.9	115.2	6.5	5.3	73.0
TASMANIA												
TASMANIA	115.0	15.7	12.0	72.2	84.4	8.5	9.2	49.7	199.4	24.2	10.8	60.8
Greater Hobart-Southern SR Sector	55.6	7.5	11.9	71.3	42.9	4.0	8.5	50.4	98.5	11.5	10.4	60.6
Greater Hobart Statistical Division	46.6	6.0	11.4	71.3	36.9	3.3	8.1	51.3	83.5	9.3	10.0	61.0
Northern Statistical Region Sector	33.3	4.5	12.0	74.3	24.2	2.3	8.5	49.8	57.5	6.8	10.6	61.8
Mersey-Lyell Statistical Region Sector	26.1	3.6	12.2	71.6	17.3	2.3	11.7	47.9	43.3	5.9	12.0	59.8
NORTHERN TERRITORY												
NORTHERN TERRITORY	46.1	4.1	8.2	79.5	36.8	2.3	5.9	63.8	82.9	6.4	7.2	71.8
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY												
AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	83.5	8.4	9.1	81.0	71.7	6.2	8.0	66.0	155.2	14.6	8.6	73.4
AUSTRALIA												
AUSTRALIA	4,686.9	506.9	9.8	74.1	3,498.1	324.8	8.5	52.9	8,185.0	831.7	9.2	63.3

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